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SUBJECT: UNSC SHOULD SEND A STRONG, IMMEDIATE, UNANIMOUS MESSAGE ON  
NORTH KOREAN NUCLEAR TEST

REF: A. STATE 169418 B. STATE 169266

1. (SBU) DCM has urged Slovakia at the highest levels of the MFA to adopt a strong position to counter North Korea's nuclear test, per points in refs A and B and previous messages. Saying it was "high time" the international community got tough on North Korea's nuclear program, MFA Director for the Department of the UN and International Organizations Roman Buzek told DCM October 10 that Slovakia fully shares U.S. concerns. The GOS wants the UNSC to issue a "strong, immediate, and unanimous message" that will send a clear signal not only to North Korea, but to Iran and others. It was important, said Buzek, to avoid a repeat of the situation in July and August after North Korea launched the missile; a month was too long to respond to that signal.

2. (SBU) Buzek said Slovakia supports all the U.S. proposals for sanctions under Chapter VII, and also those of Japan. The ultimate scope of the sanctions would depend on unanimity, especially by China and Russia, who must be made to understand that their short-term economic profit is nothing compared to the long-term damage that is done by trading with North Korea.

3. (SBU) The Slovak Perm Rep at the UN has been instructed to coordinate further action with USUN, the United Kingdom and France, including support for Japan's initiatives.